DRAFT ANNOUNCEMENT:

Regional Forum & Future Scenario Planning Session on Integrated Water Management SACRAMENTO RIVER Hydrologic Region

The Department of Water Resources and local partners will sponsor a **Regional Forum** on Friday, January 20, 2012 (from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) to gather and share information relating to the ACWA Groundwater Program and the California Water Plan Regional Report. The Forum will also include a session on the Water Plan's analytical approach for planning for an uncertain future. The last item will focus on a framework to evaluate the performance of regional resource management strategies under alternative future scenarios. Input will be sought on local priorities and policies that inform the modeling assumptions.

The Forum will involve **in-person meeting** locations throughout the Sacramento River Region including: Corning, Mount Shasta, Oroville, Redding and Sacramento. A **webinar option** is also available. The agenda, satellite location addresses, webinar link and conference call number will be posted online at www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/materials/index.cfm?subject=jan2012

Representatives of water agencies; local, state, Tribal and federal government; watershed and community groups; conservancies; and the public are welcome and needed for successful dialog.

ACWA Groundwater Efforts

A key element of the Forum is a presentation on the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Groundwater Management Survey. The survey will update information on groundwater management activities and constraints throughout the State. The discussion will also highlight elements of the ACWA Groundwater Framework Implementation Plan. The survey is online at: www.acwa.com/groundwater_survey. For more information contact Danielle Blacet, ACWA Senior Regulatory Advocate, at danielleb@acwa.com or 916-441-4545.

Planning for an Uncertain Future in California's Regions

Forum participants will help inform how regional strategies will be characterized in Update 2013 by:

- Providing advice on the policy considerations relevant to evaluating regional resource management strategies in light of many future risks and uncertainties
- Identifying key regional assumptions to guide the technical analysis to plan for an uncertain future
- Describing success for your region in terms of meeting future water management objectives.

PREWORK FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE REGIONAL FORUM

To maximize stakeholder input and engagement, Forum participants are requested to review the Update 2009 Regional Report for the Sacramento River hydrologic region. This report is online at: www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/docs/cwpu2009/0310final/v3 sacramentoriver cwp2009.pdf. Please note, this is a large file (9.2 MB) and will take a while to load.

Then, review the storyboard and working outline for the Update 2013 Sacramento River Regional report listed under the handout section at www.waterplan.water.ca.gov/materials/index.cfm?subject=jan2012. At the Forum, please be prepared to say what needs to be added or changed in the outline – in order to tell the water story for the Sacramento River hydrologic region. Your ideas are important and welcome.